

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To authorize supplemental appropriations for public housing operations and tenant-based rental assistance, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Public Housing and
5 Section 8 Operational Response Act for COVID-19”.

1 **SEC. 2. FUNDING FOR PUBLIC HOUSING AND TENANT-**
2 **BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE.**

3 (a) PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND.—There is
4 authorized to be appropriated for an additional amount
5 for fiscal year 2021 for the Public Housing Operating
6 Fund under section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act
7 of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)) \$5,000,000,000, to remain
8 available until September 30, 2022.

9 (b) TENANT-BASED SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSIST-
10 ANCE.—There is authorized to be appropriated for an ad-
11 ditional amount for fiscal year 2021 for the tenant-based
12 rental assistance under section 8(o) of the United States
13 Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o))
14 \$3,500,000,000, to remain available until September 30,
15 2022, of which not more than \$500,000,000 may be used
16 for administrative fees under section 8(q) of such Act (42
17 U.S.C. 1437f(q)).

18 (c) APPLICABILITY OF WAIVERS.—Any waiver or al-
19 ternative requirement made by the Secretary of Housing
20 and Urban Development pursuant to the heading “Ten-
21 ant-Based Rental Assistance” or “Public Housing Oper-
22 ating Fund” in title XII of division B of the CARES Act
23 (Public Law 116–136) shall apply with respect to amounts
24 made available pursuant to this section.